

## **REMARKS**

The Applicant appreciates the courteous and complete examination of the application by the Examiner. In view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks, a reconsideration of the instant application is respectfully requested.

In order to expedite the prosecution of this application, claims 1-3 have been amended. Claims 4-11 have been added to more completely cover certain aspects of the Applicant's invention. Claims 1-11 are now in this application.

### **Regarding the Specification**

The Applicant appreciates the opportunity to amend the specification. The title of the invention section has been amended to comply with 37 CFR 1.72.

A new CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS section has been added to comply with 37 CFR 1.77.

### **Regarding the Claim §112 Rejections**

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The Examiner states that "claims 1-3 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2<sup>nd</sup> paragraph".

Claims 1-3 have been amended to comply 35 U.S.C. 112, and to remove the narrative and indefinite language. The Applicant respectfully believes that the claims 1-3 as amended comply with current U.S. Patent Office practice and procedure. No new material has been added to amended claims 1-3. Amended claims 1-3 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

### **Regarding the New Claims**

The Applicant appreciates the opportunity to add new claims 4-11 to the present application. Independent claim 4 is believed to be patentably distinct from the prior art reference because it contains similar subject matter of claim 1 which was found by the

Examiner to be allowable. Claims 5-11 are felt to patentably distinguish over the prior art references because of their above-mentioned dependency from claim 4.

## **Conclusion**

Although the present communication may include alterations to the application or claims, or characterizations of claim scope or referenced art, the Applicant is not conceding in this application that previously pending claims are not patentable over the cited references. Rather, any alterations or characterizations are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. The Applicant reserves the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, including subject matter found to be specifically disclaimed herein or by any prior prosecution. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any parent, child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that the Applicant has made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter supported by the present application.

Applicant has endeavored to address all of the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the Office Action. Accordingly, amendments to the claims, the reasons therefor, and arguments in support of patentability of the pending claim set are presented above. Any claim amendments which are not specifically discussed in the above-remarks are made in order to improve the clarity of claim language, to correct grammatical mistakes or ambiguities, and to otherwise improve the clarity of the claims to particularly and distinctly point out the invention to those of skill in the art. Finally, Applicant submits that the claim limitations above represent only illustrative distinctions. Hence, there may be other patentable features that distinguish the claimed invention from the prior art.

With the above amendments being fully responsive to all outstanding rejections and formal requirements, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are now in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner feel that there are further issues which might be resolved by means of telephone interview, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned at (403) 444-5695, or email at davidguerra@internationalpatentgroup.com

No additional fee is due.

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